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Date: July 20, 2000

Commander
U.S. Army ARDEC
AMSTA-AR-PWR
Attn: Tim Miller
Building 302 South
Picatinny Arsenal, NJ 07806-5000

Dear Commander:

On June 21, 2000, Rod Whiteman of my staff conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Picatinny Arsenal. Approximately 8 acres of moderate defoliation (30-60 percent) and 137 acres of heavy defoliation (61-100 percent) were detected on site while 5 acres of moderate defoliation and 20 acres of heavy defoliation were detected on adjacent lands (Figure 1).

If you anticipate requesting financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2001, please contact Brad Onken or Rod by letter or telephone (304) 285-1541 before August 31, 2000.

Please contact Rod at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

for David B. Hamilton

JOHN W. HAZEL
Field Representative
Morgantown Field Office

cc: John Kegg, NJDA
George Koeck, NJDF
Noel Schneeberger, AO

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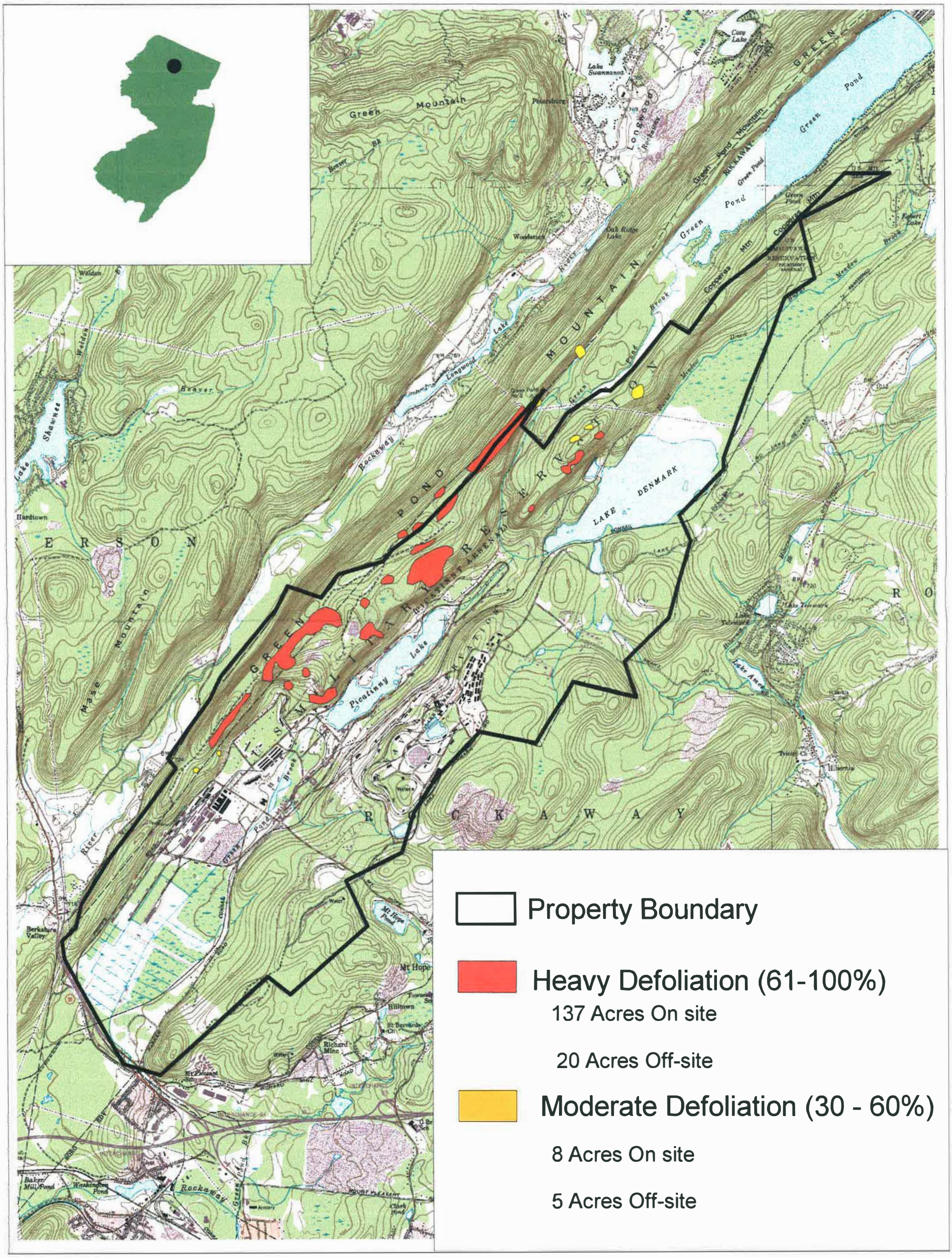
Figure 1. -- Results of the gypsy moth defoliation survey conducted at Picatinny Arsenal on June 21, 2000.



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